# COSMIC-2 (Constellation Observing System for Meteorology, Ionosphere and Climate) Tri-GNSS Radio Occultation System (TGRS)

















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### COSMIC-2 Mission Overview

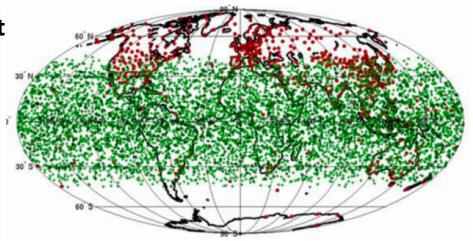
### JPL's Role



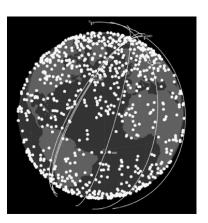
COSMIC-2 Mission Objective: Provide next generation observations for weather forecast and climate

- Constellation of six satellites
- Provides temperature, pressure and moisture at different vertical layers in Earth's atmosphere
- COSMIC-2 measurements are concentrated close to the equatorial plane
- Joint US and Taiwan mission: NOAA, USAF, UCAR, NSF, NASA/JPL, NSPO (Taiwan)
- JPL provided the primary instrument on each satellite

**Tri-GNSS Radio Occultation System (TGRS)** 



Cosmic-2 Profiles in 24 hour period (simulated)

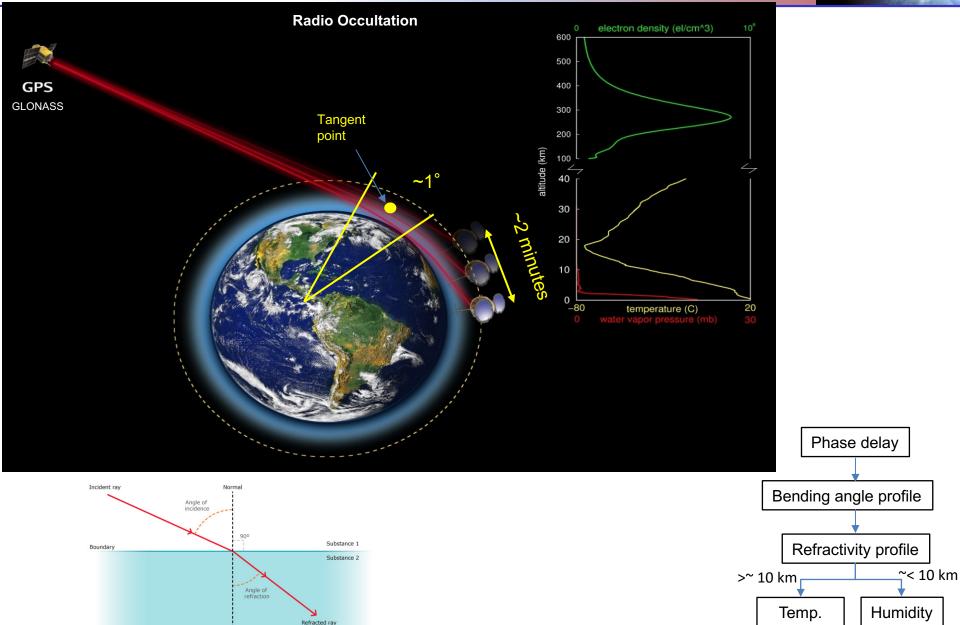


Cosmic-1 Profiles in 24 hour period (April 29, 2007)



### COSMIC-2 – How does it work?



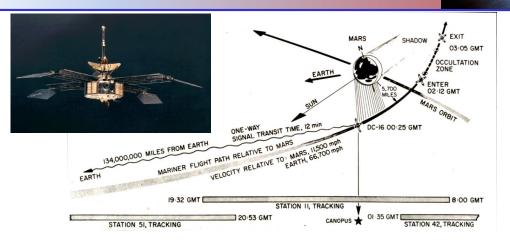




# Radio Occultation History



Mariner 4 Mars flyby first occultation - 1965

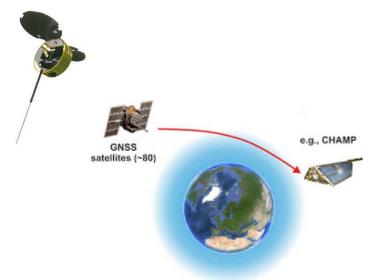


GPS/MET – Earth Radio Occultations Proof of concept - 1995

CHAMP - 2001 / SAC-C - 2004

COSMIC-1 - April 2006





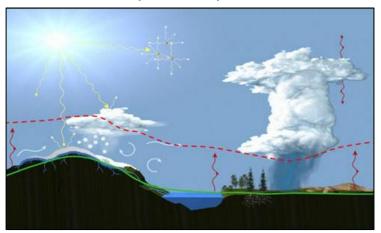


# COSMIC-2 – Why is NASA interested in this mission?

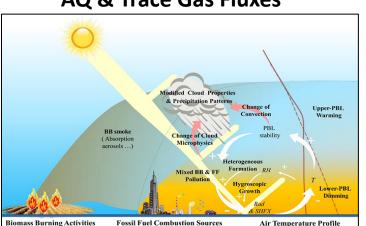


 Radio occultations penetrate clouds and can measure the atmosphere both above and below the clouds; vital to our understanding of weather and climate changes

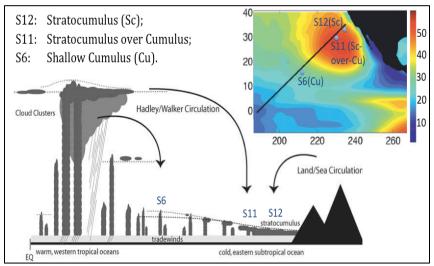
#### Weather, Clouds, Storms



#### **AQ & Trace Gas Fluxes**



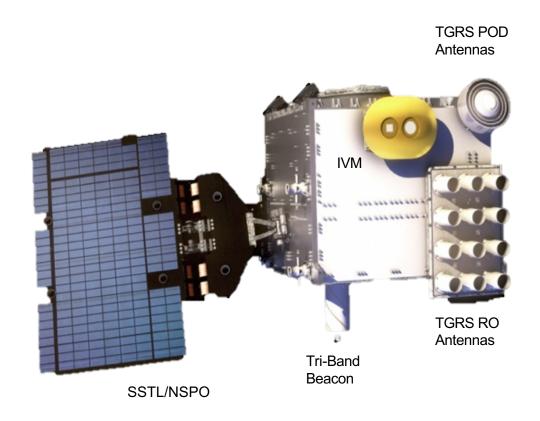
#### **Cloud-Climate Feedback**





# **COSMIC-2 Spacecraft**

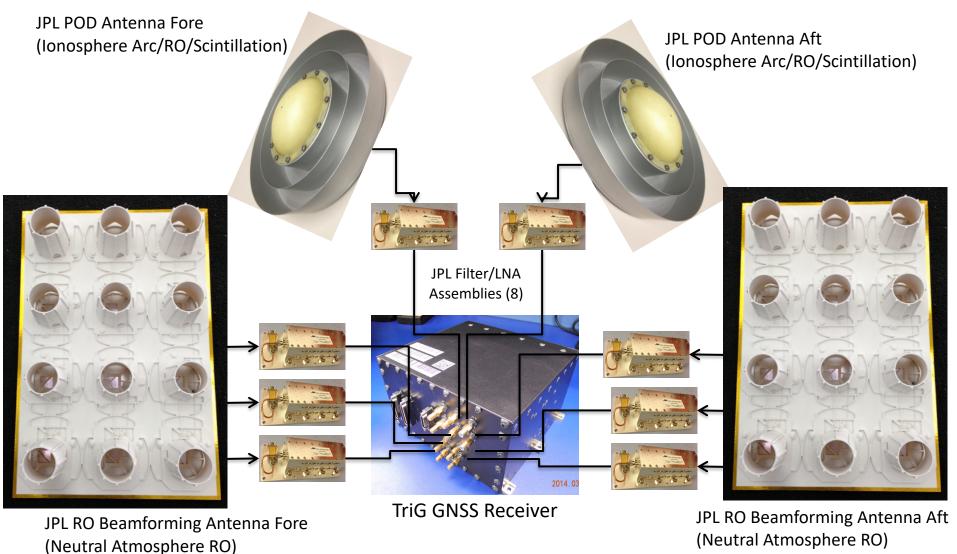






# TGRS (TriG GNSS Receiver System) COSMIC-2 Primary Mission Payload







# COSMIC-2 Satellites at Launch Site

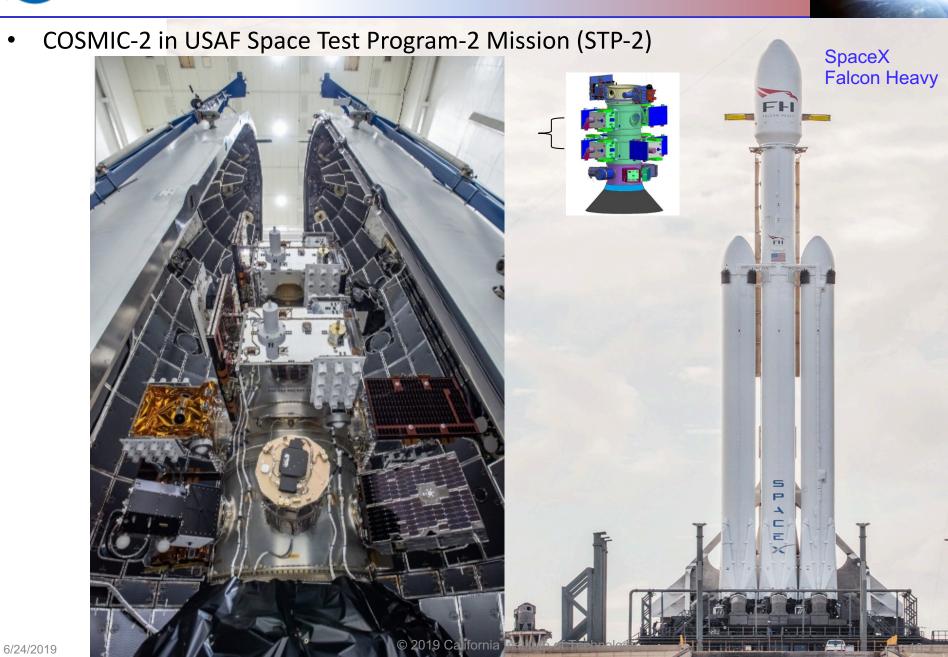






## STP-2 Launch

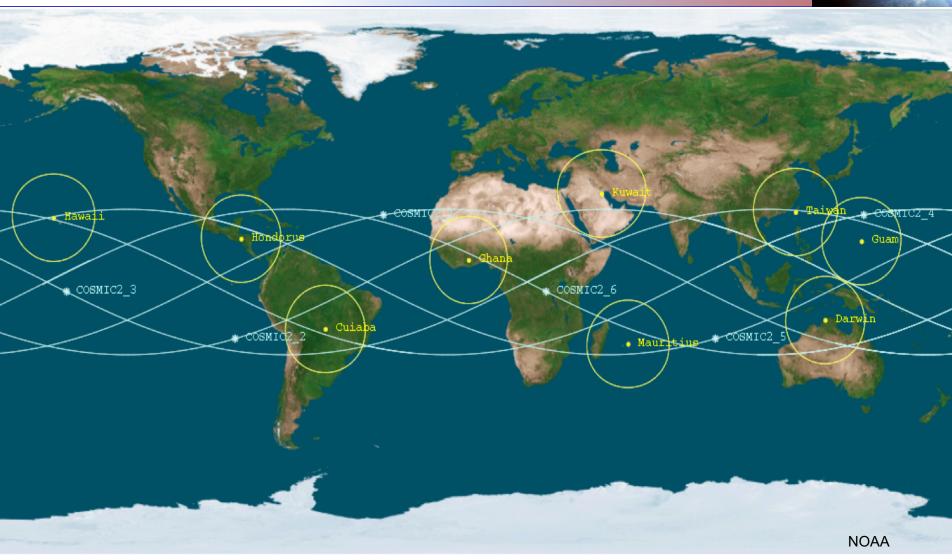






### **Ground Antenna Locations**





Uplink Stations: Taiwan and Darwin



# Summary



- COSMIC-2 will provide significantly more data and will be assimilated directly into weather models
- With the better signals, COSMIC-2 will see down to the bottom half mile or so of the atmosphere (Planetary Boundary Layer), where the weather we experience takes place



### Back-Up

